

CHAPTER 504

(House Bill 723)

AN ACT concerning

Correctional Officers - County and Municipal Facilities - Power to Make Arrests

FOR the purpose of authorizing a sheriff, who is acting as the head administrative officer of a county correctional facility, to designate correctional officers employed by the facility to have the power to make arrests; and generally relating to the power of correctional officers in county and municipal facilities to make arrests.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

Section 594B(q)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

Section 684B

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(1996 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

594B.

(q) Correctional officers designated by the head administrative officer of a county or municipal correctional facility under § 684B of this article have the same powers of arrest for individuals on the property of the facility as are set forth in this section for police officers.

684B.

(a) [Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, and subject] SUBJECT to subsection (b) of this section, the head administrative officer of a county or municipal correctional facility may designate correctional officers employed by the facility to have the power to make arrests as authorized by § 594B(q) of this article.

(b) Correctional officers empowered to make arrests under § 594B(q) of this article shall meet the minimum qualifications, and satisfactorily complete the training, required by the Maryland Police Training Commission.